

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently Amended) A hybrid printing device for printing on a surface, the device comprising:

- a printing means adapted to print on the surface; and
- a sensing means adapted to sense the position of the printing device in relation to positioning indicia located on the surface, wherein the printing means is further adapted to be responsive to the detected position of the device in relation to the detected position,
 - wherein the hybrid printing device has a computer mouse form-factor,
 - wherein the positioning indicia encode data describing absolute or relative positions on the surface, said indicia being optically imaged by the sensing means and thus providing an output representing the absolute position of the printing means on the surface, and
 - wherein printing on the surface by the printing means is performed based in part on print information provided within the indicia.

2. – 11. (Canceled).

12. (Previously Presented) A method of printing on a surface, the method comprising the steps of:

printing, with a handheld hybrid printing device, an indicia pattern on the surface prior to printing an actual printing pattern on the surface with the handheld hybrid printing device;

detecting the absolute position of a printing means housed within the handheld hybrid printing device in relation to the surface by detection of portions of the indicia pattern situated directly beneath the handheld hybrid printing device, and activating the printing means at designated locations on the surface as a function of the detected position on that surface, to thereby print the actual printing pattern on the surface.

13. (Previously Presented) A method of printing on a surface as claimed in claim 12 wherein a printing control means remembers at which locations on the surface have

already been printed on, thereby allowing the movement of the handheld hybrid printing device over the surface to be interrupted.

14. – 16. (Canceled).

17. (Currently Amended) A hybrid printing device as claimed in claim ~~[[16]]~~ 1, wherein the print information includes information as to which colors to print at a region corresponding to each respective indicia.

18. (Previously Presented) A method of printing on a surface as claimed in claim 12, further comprising:

detecting print information provided within the indicia pattern,
wherein the print information includes information as to which colors to print at a region corresponding to each respective indicia.